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The severe drought this summer has upset our fall planting schedule. Usually turnips are planted about July 27th; Chinese cabbage about August 10th, and Mustard in September. We have had rains on time, but not enough water fell to thoroughly moisten the ground for seed sowing. My tub and dishpan gardens served very well early in the season, but did not have enough water for mid-summer use. They are practical if space is limited and plenty of water available.

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100 Iris, many varieties, 1.25 postpaid.

Partridgeberry (*Michella repens*) hardy, evergreen ground cover.— Needs acid soil; deep shade in the South; berries edible, ideal for terrariums.

Red Tradescantia, so called from cold weather coloring of the leaves. Color of blossoms seems to depend upon the nature of the soil and amount of the sun. One of the spider worts. Hardy perennial.

Green Briar, vine stickery; berries black; nodules on roots grow quite large and are used to make pipes.

Five Fingers (*Potentilla*), medicinal vine, with rather attractive foliage and yellow flowers in early summer.

Virginia Creeper — native vine; good cover for buildings, takes brilliant autumn coloring.

Pale Blue Iris Cristata — delightful ground cover for shade too deep for grass.

Iris Cristata Amethyst — ideal for shady rock and wall gardens.

Wooly Violets—very early, good ground cover for bare clay spots in full sun. Comes very early; pale lavender flowers; becomes dormant before hot weather.

White Violets — good in yard or as pot plants. Does not require rich soil and can stand over half sun.

Confederate Violets — grey effect, thrives in poor soil and can stand more sun than the others.

Any of the above plants, 5c each unless otherwise noted.

HARDY ROCK GARDEN PLANTS

Hardy Sedums. All Sedums I call hardy can survive 15 below zero without protection. Some of them are hardy in the sub-Arctic. Most are fine for rock garden plants.

Last year my *Sempervivums* made almost no increase. This year, most are hatching “chicks”, and when my backlog of orders left over from last year, are filled, I hope I’ll have a number of varieties of hardy Semps to offer. This is a rock garden plant par excellence. — Most of the dwarf plants listed under other heads, and many of the wildlings, are also good for rock gardens. —

I have a few plants of **Alum Root** to spare. This is a fine rock garden plant and also good as a pot plant. 10c each.

HARDY CACTI

10c each

Opuntia vulgare (Common Prickly Pear, hardy, flower creamy yellow, fruit edible. Can be used as pot plant. Thrives well in poor soil.

Opuntia robusta. — Much taller plant and bigger pads. — Stately lawn decoration. —

Opuntia vaseyana, native to Colorado deserts. Much thicker pads. Does well in pots.

Opuntia erinacea (Grizzly Bear) plenty stickery, hardy.

Opuntia ramossissima, hardy and dwarf, good in full sun in rock gardens, also good as a pot plant.

Opuntia cholla, often mentioned in Wild West fiction.

Neobesseya missouriensis, native to Missouri flowers creamy yellow.

HARDY YARD PLANTS

Hemerocallis Kwanzo — 5c

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Columbine — 5c

I have wholesale quantities of the following Sedums:— *Sarmientosum*, hardy to sub-arctic, pendant effect. One sent me labeled *Glaucum* much like *album* but different flowers and winter coloring; *Album* white flowers, Evergreen with us an *Album* hybrid has never bloomed for me, color of foliage slightly different—a grey green one which I think is *Altissum*, good in rock garden, dish garden or as a pot plant; *Acre* and *Sexangulare*, much alike but different, both dwarf and good ground cover for clayey spots; *Maximowiczii*, little known in the USA—two varieties which are in dispute among botanists who have seen them. The dealer from whom I bought them, identified them as the rare pink-flowered *Stoloneferum*, and No. 28 as *Stoloneferum coccinea*; and the faculty of our State Ex. Station at Hope, Ark., agrees with him. Other botanists, just as well posted say that both are unusual *Spurium* hybrids.

Have from one to a dozen plants of other varieties. I have only one plant of the *Sedum Spectabile alba*, the tall white Houseleek. Will trade other Sedums for small-rooted plants of the pink, red and purple Spectabiles. Have had all three and put them out in the yard where Bermuda grass killed them.

Any *Sedum* listed labeled to the best of my knowledge 5c.

If selection is left to me, 50 well rooted Sedums, 10 varieties labeled, \$1.00.

If unlabelled, 1c each in lots of 25.

Sedum Collection, 7 varieties, my selection, 25c.

HOUSE PLANTS

Common green leaf Wandering Jew, 5c.

Large green leaf Wandering Jew. Purple and grey striped Wandering Jew 5c.

Talinum, commonly called Pink Baby's Breath, tender perennials.

Bloom early from seed. Becomes dormant in winter, even in the house. 5c each. 30c per dozen.

Frog Leg Cactus (*Kalanchoe Tubiflora*) 10c.

Kalanchoe fedtschenkoi — (don't know common name for it) 10c.

Pedilanthus, green, 10c

Peanut Cactus (*Chamecerous Sylvestris*) 10c.

Opuntia Vilyii (dwarf tender) 10c.

Opuntia, either *elata* or *sub-elata*, not sure which, 10c.

An almost spineless *Opuntia*, I have not yet identified. 10c.

Opuntia ficus Indica (Indian Fig). Fruit edible, 10c.

Christmas Cactus — 10c.

Cactus *Echinopsis* — 10c.

Klenia repens — 10c.

Am sold out of Elephant Bush (*Portulacaria Afra*) and *Crassula lycopodiodes* until young ones are ready.

Unless otherwise stated, all plants whose prices are not given, are 5 cents each. Postage paid on orders of 50c or more. For less than that amount please add 5c.

I will swap plants, your selection, to amount of \$2 postpaid for strong three-eye division of Mons Martin Chahusac Peony.

Plants to amount of 50c for strong three-eye division of Phillip Revoire Peony.

Peonies to be sent in fall when dormant. Each party paying postage on what we send.

Until income is bigger, The Yellow Sheets will be published bi-monthly; and until my cubs are home from the war, more attention will be paid to unusual plants, any from other lands than to our wildlings.

Subscription 25c for 12 issues. Nice present to your garden loving friends.

Mrs. Laura D. Cole
Grannis, Arkansas.

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HARDY Cactus *Echinocerus*, Hedgehog *viridiflorus*, small knobs, primrose, yellow flowers, also nice houseplant.

NATIVE *Leucocrinum*, Sandlily *montanum*, white stars, guarded by glaucous lances.

LUPINUS *Alpestris*, 3 in. blue, purple flowers, above soft palmate foliage.

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HILLSVUE GARDENS

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How does this plain command of the Bible fit in with the programs and demands of Union Labor? And which is more likely to be right in the long run?

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PACHYVERIAS

I do not know so much about *Pachyverias* because these plants are hybrids of *Echeverias* crossed with *Pachyphymus*. One can use the cultural directions of the parent plant, I suppose.

They are attacked by root nematodes sometimes. In that case new soil must be provided; all old root system removed, and then

treat as cuttings. In outdoor plantings I put them on raised mounds and surround them with small stones. They seem to dislike mud on the plant. That is those that grow low. The tall ones need good drainage. Mine never live long in pots because our soil is heavy clay and hardens like rock when dry, so now I am going to try sand culture.

Mrs. B. A. Asmus, Rt. 1,
Lupton, Colorado.

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I use leaf mat from the woods for drainage material both in hot beds, and in the cans I use instead of pots. It decays entirely in two years. I save all old soil that is free from disease, adding superphosphate and Vigoro, and use it over and over. Our intensely hot sun of mid-summer seems to sterilize it and I have little trouble with soil packing.

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Now that so many of us have loved ones in the armed forces, where they are now or will be exposed to all the hazards of the war, the subject of what is the everyday life of our spirit, after it is released from the body, becomes of vital interest. One of the most interesting books on the subject, which I have come across is *Heaven and Hell* by Emanuel Swedenborg.

The writer was a deeply learned scientist as well as a profound student of the Bible. I'm not competent to say if all his statements are correct; but where possible to check them with the Bible, they are in accord. And the book is of engrossing interest. Published by the Swedenborg Foundation, Inc., 51 East 42nd St., New York, in several different bindings and in wide range of prices. If you are interested in the subject, better write to them for prices.